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IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete claims 1 to 129 and insert new claims 130 to 137

1 130. (New) An inkjet printhead having a series of nozzles for the ejection of ink wherein each  
2 said nozzle has a rim formed by the deposition of a rim material layer over a sacrificial layer and a  
3 subsequent planar removal of at least said rim material layer so as to form said nozzle rim.

1 131. (New) An inkjet printhead as claimed in claim 130 wherein said planar removal comprises  
2 chemical - mechanical planarization of said rim material layer.

1 132. (New) An inkjet printhead as claimed in claim 131 wherein parts of said sacrificial layer are  
2 also removed by said planar removal.

1 133. (New) An inkjet printhead as claimed in claim 130 wherein said planar removal process is  
2 an etching process.